

Amendment No. 10 to HB1246

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 878*

House Bill No. 1246

By deleting subsection (a) of Section 4-24-112 of the amendatory language of SECTION 1 and substituting instead the following:

(a) Any fulltime, part-time, or volunteer firefighter hired or accepted as a firefighter on or after July 1, 2009, by a fire department recognized under title 68, chapter 102, part 3, must meet the minimum training and health requirements of this subsection::

(1) The minimum firefighter training requirements are:

(A) The firefighter must have previously completed or must complete after joining the fire department a minimum of sixteen (16) hours of initial training developed by the Tennessee fire service and codes enforcement academy in firefighting procedures and techniques before being allowed to actively fight a fire; and

(B) Within thirty-six (36) months after hire or acceptance date as a firefighter, the firefighter must have completed, or must complete after joining the fire department, the "basic and live firefighting" course offered by the Tennessee fire service and codes enforcement academy, or an equivalent course approved by the Tennessee commission on firefighting personnel standards and education.

(2) The minimum firefighter health standards are:

(A) A cholesterol level of two hundred (200) or lower;

(B) A blood pressure reading of one hundred twenty over eighty (120/80) or lower;

(C) A body mass index (BMI) of twenty percent (20%) or less; and

(D) The ability to run or walk a mile in twelve (12) minutes or less.